ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A friction clutch includes a housing arrangement connectable to a drive element for rotation in common about an axis of rotation, a pressure plate connected to the housing arrangement such that the pressure plate is fixed with respect to rotation relative to the housing arrangement and axially movable relative to the housing arrangement, a force-exerting arrangement acting on a first axial side of the pressure plate to produce the engaged state of the friction clutch, and a friction disk connected to the housing arrangement such that the friction disk is fixed with respect to rotation relative to the housing arrangement and is axially movable relative to the housing arrangement. The friction disk has a ring-shaped friction lining carrier on which the second axial side of the pressure plate acts in the engaged state. The friction lining carrier carries at least one friction lining element on the axial side facing away from the pressure plate. The friction disk is connected to the pressure plate such that the movement of the friction disk in the direction away from the second axial side of the pressure plate is limited.